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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Serial No.:	:	Group Art Unit:
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For:		OPTICAL PICKUP DEVICE AND RECORDING AND/OR REPRODUCING DEVICE

**CLAIM OF PRIORITY**

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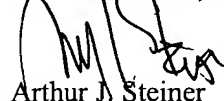
In accordance with the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 119, Applicants hereby claim the priority of:

**Japanese Patent Application No. JP2002-313596, filed on October 29, 2002.**

cited in the Declaration of the present application. A certified copy will be filed in due course.

Respectfully submitted,

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